Remarks

In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification, Applicants respectfully submit herewith brief descriptions of Figures 5-14. Applicants respectfully assert that the amendments to the specification remedy the inconsistency between the drawings and the specification indicated in the Notice.

Customer Number

22850

Tel: (703) 413-3000 Fax: (703) 413 -2220 (OSMMN 06/04) Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,

MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Gregory J. Maier/ Attorney of Record Registration No. 25,599

Philip J. Hoffmann Registration No. 46,340

GJM/PH/me

I:\ATTY\PH\21s\218090\rspns drwg inconsistency 09132004.doc